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DENIES SOVIET EXPERTS IN ALBANIA; IMPORTS ARRIVE FROM USSR

TANJUG REPORT DENIED -- Tirana, Zeri i Popullit, 12 Oct 50

Tirana, 11 October (Albanian Telegraphic Agency) -- The Albanian Telegraphic Agency is authorized to deny categorically the recent report by Tanjug, official Yugoslav news agency, of the arrival in Albania of 480 Soviet experts, many of them military. The report alleged that the experts had been assigned to various Albanian Army units and other government organizations.

MORE SOVIET GOODS ARRIVE -- Tirana, Bashkimi, 7 Sep 50

Tirana (Albanian Telegraphic Agency) -- Between 20 August and 2 September 1950, the following goods arrived from the USSR and the people's democracies under the terms of trade agreements signed with Albania:

From the USSR: machinery for the Stalin Textile Combine, for the sugar combine in Maliq, and for the cotton-processing factory; assorted machinery and equipment; trucks, tires, cotton thread for industry, reinforcing iron, railroad accessories, newsprint, chemicals, pipes for the Kucove petroleum installations, laboratory equipment, etc.

From Czechoslovakia: assorted machinery and equipment, materials for the rubber factory, automobile spare parts, wire and cotton fishing nets, drugs and chemicals, and woolen and cotton textiles.

From Poland: sheet metal, railroad rails and accessories, iron construction members, woolen and cotton cloth, woolen blankets, jute sacks, etc.

From Rumania: cement, lubricants, lumber, iron construction members, glass, newsprint, etc.

From Hungary: building materials, electrical equipment, motor vehicle spane merts, transformers and transformer equipment, cotton cloth, cotton blankets, pharmaceuticals, dental preparations, etc.

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MACHINERY ARRIVES FROM USSR -- Tirana, Puna, 12 Sep 50

Tirana -- On 8 September, thousands of workers gathered in the Tirana railroad station to greet the train which was bringing textile machinery from the USSR for the Stalin Combine, now under construction in Yzberishe _suburb of Tirana/.

When completed, the combine will have a capacity of about 20 million linear meters of cloth. Its products will include linen, high-quality cotton cloth, colored shirts, dress goods of all kinds and patterns, all kinds of underwear, and fine, medium, and coarse cottons.

SOVIET SEEDS GROWING WELL -- Tirana, Zeri i Popullit, 8 Sep 50

In April 1950, large quantities of seeds and young trees arrived from the USSR, by arrangement with the Ministry of Agriculture and the Agricultural Research Stations. The trees included oranges, lemons, and tangerines. The seeds included several varieties of spring wheat, oats, rice, cotton, barley, soybeans, perennial forage crops, rare forest trees, valuable subtropical trees which have never been grown in Albania before, tea, tung, bamboo, etc.

These seeds and trees were distributed according to plan among state farms and various districts, according to their individual requirements. They are now growing well, and are expected to prove successful.

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